Subpart 167.43—Work Vests

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§167.43-1 Application.

(a) Provisions of this subpart shall apply to all vessels inspected and certificated in accordance with this subchapter.

§ 167.43-5 Approved types of work vests.

- (a) Each buoyant work vest carried under the permissive authority of this section must be approved under—
- (1) Subpart 160.053 of this chapter; or (2) Subpart 160.077 of this chapter as a commercial hybrid PFD.

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§167.43-10 Use.

(a) Approved buoyant work vests are considered to be items of safety apparel and may be carried aboard vessels to be worn by crew members when working near or over the water under favorable working conditions. They shall be used under the supervision and control of designated ship's officers. When carried, such vests shall not be accepted in lieu of any portion of the required number of approved life preservers and shall not be substituted for the approved life preservers required to be worn during drills and emergencies.

§167.43-15 Shipboard stowage.

- (a) The approved buoyant work vests shall be stowed separately from the regular stowage of approved life preservers.
- (b) The locations for the stowage of work vests shall be such as not to be easily confused with that for approved life preservers.

$\S 167.43-20$ Shipboard inspections.

(a) Each work vest shall be subject to examination by a marine inspector to determine its serviceability. If found to be satisfactory, it may be continued in service, but shall not be stamped by a marine inspector with a Coast Guard stamp. If a work vest is found not to be in a serviceable condition, then such work vest shall be removed from the vessel. If a work vest is beyond repair,

it shall be destroyed or mutilated in the presence of a marine inspector so as to prevent its continued use as a work vest.

§ 167.43-25 Additional requirements for hybrid work vests.

- (a) In addition to the other requirements in this subpart, commercial hybrid PFD's must be—
- (1) Used, stowed, and maintained in accordance with the procedures set out in the manual required for these devices by §160.077-29 of this chapter and any limitations(s) marked on them; and
- (2) Of the same or similar design and have the same method of operation as each other hybrid PFD carried on board.

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Subpart 167.45—Special Firefighting and Fire Prevention Requirements

§167.45-1 Steam, carbon dioxide, and halon fire extinguishing systems.

- (a) General requirements. (1) Nautical school ships shall be provided with an inert-gas fire-extinguishing system when required.
- (2) All nautical school ships carrying combustible cargo in the holds, between decks, or other closed cargo compartments shall be equipped with means for extinguishing fire in such compartments by the use of any inertgas fire-extinguishing system approved by the Coast Guard or Navy. However, in specific cases where by reason of the design, such compartments are normally accessible and considered to be part of the working or living quarters, a water sprinkling system may be installed in lieu of an inert-gas fire-extinguishing system. On such vessels contracted for prior to January 1, 1962, a steam smothering system may be accepted in lieu of the inert gas system for the protection of cargo holds, paint lockers, and similar spaces. However, although existing steam smothering systems may be repaired, replaced, or extended, no new systems contracted for on or after January 1, 1962, will be permitted.